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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Menin et al.

Application No: 09/900,733

Filed: July 5, 2001

For: Automated Classification of Items  
Using a Knowledge Base

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned case, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to ~~enter~~ the following amendment:

AMENDMENT

In the specification:

~~Please delete paragraph 16.~~

~~Please replace paragraph 26 with the following paragraph:~~

[0026] The knowledge base can take the form of raw data collected from one or more different sources or the data can be processed into an engineered knowledge base in a variety of different ways. One type of processing is to filter the raw data through an

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